

## CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

**Title of publication:** 2ml18.mpg

**Other known title(s):** 2ml 18.mpg

**OFLC ref:** 802051

**Medium:** Computer Moving Image File

**Distributor:** Not stated

**Director:** Not stated

**Producer:** Not stated

**Country of origin:** Not stated

**Language:** Not applicable

**Applicant:** District Court At North Shore

<b>Classification:</b>	Objectionable.
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**Excisions:** No excisions recommended

**Descriptive note:** None

**Display conditions:** None

**Date of entry in Register:** 26 February 2009

**Date of direction to issue a label:** No direction to issue a label has been issued

	Components	Running time
<b>Timed component(s):</b>	2ml18.mpg	0:13
<b>Total running time:</b>		0:13

### Summary of reasons for decision:

The computer moving image file promotes and supports bestiality and is deemed to be objectionable.

The moving image file depicts a sexual act involving a woman and a male dog. The material has no other purpose than the sexual titillation and arousal of viewers. The depiction of sexual conduct with an animal as a pleasurable form of activity breaks down the taboos that surround such acts and encourages experimentation by making bestiality seem both possible and desirable.

The classification of this publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's clear intention in s3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993. The classification is a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression that reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to limit the availability of publications that promote and support bestiality.